

This comment is directed at the proposed mandatory recording proposal that the FCC has recently suggested. We currently offer different programming on our AM station that airs on our FM signal. With the proposed recording of each stations signal, we would be forced to do one of two things with our AM station -- either do away with the current AM programming and just simulcast the FM signal -- Yes become more generic -- or just turn the AM off and return the license to the FCC. This small 1000 watt AM in no way generates the income needed to operate it. It is supported by other stations in the organization. Adding more costs to its operation would be the final nail in the coffin. I am afraid that a proposal like this would see several AM stations going dark. It seems that the small operators who try to serve their communities are being penalized for the actions of a few large operators. But this proposal would hurt the small operator and end radio service for a lot of small communities. I hope the FCC looks at the whole picture when making this decision.

Sincerely,
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